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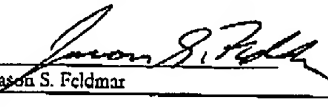
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Arthur R. Tilford
Serial No.: 09/590,417
Filed: June 8, 2000
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TRANSMITTING, RECEIVING AND
UTILIZING AUDIO/VISUAL SIGNALS AND OTHER INFORMATION

Examiner: Scott E. Beliveau
Group Art Unit: 2614
Docket: PD-990142

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COMMUNICATION RE RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

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Dear Sir:

On December 1, 2003, a Request For Reconsideration Under 3 C.F.R. 116 was fax-filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO"), in response to the Final Rejection Action of October 1, 2003. Copy of 1.116 Request attached.

An Advisory Action of December 16, 2003 indicated that the December 1, 2003 reply failed to place the application in condition for allowance.

On December 31, 2003, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 were fax-filed to the USPTO, in response to the Final Rejection Action. Copy of R.C.E. and 1.114 Amendment attached. Timely receipt of the Request and Amendment were received via return facsimile from the USPTO (copy enclosed).

Thereafter, a second Advisory Action from the USPTO, mailed January 13, 2004, indicated that "The Amendment filed on December 31, 2003 under 37 CFR 1.116 in reply to the Final Rejection has been considered but is not deemed to place the application in condition for allowance and will not be entered because the proposed amendment raises new issues that would require further consideration and/or search." The USPTO erred in that a Request for Continued

Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 and an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 were filed, and not an amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116, on December 31, 2003.

It is therefore respectfully requested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office review its file wrapper, and adjust their records to note that Applicant had indeed filed a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) with an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 on December 31, 2003, in response to the Final Rejection Action of October 1, 2003.

Further, in view of the timely filing, no fees are due at this time. Nonetheless, should any fees be necessary, please charge such fees to Deposit Account NO. 50-0494 of Gates & Cooper LLP.

Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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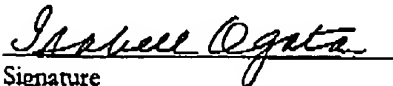
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